

REMARKS

This reply is responsive to the Office Action mailed on August 15, 2005. The Examiner objected to the status of the parent to the present Application. The Specification has been amended to address the Examiner's objection.

Claims 1-14 are pending in the application. A terminal disclaimer is included with this response. This terminal disclaimer should obviate the double patenting rejection based on U.S. Patent No. 6,647,061. As such, claims 1-14 are in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

Having fully responded to the Office Action, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Should any issues arise that prevent allowance of the above application, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned to resolve such issues.

To the extent an extension of time is needed for consideration of this response, Applicant hereby request such extension and, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge deposit account number 502117 for any fees associated therewith.

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